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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Roger Y. Tsien, et al.

Application No.: 10/044,486

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SUBSTRATES HAVING PHENOLIC
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.